

Mental Health Mahalo Awards Past Honorees

2024

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Tina Boteilho

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Seeds of Wellbeing

Outstanding Government Leader
Tia L.R. Hartsock

Outstanding Government Leader
Marian Tsuji

Outstanding Adult Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Brysen Poulton

Outstanding Youth Mental Health Advocate
Tianna Webster

Outstanding Family Advocate
Susan McGovern

Outstanding Employer
La Pietra - Hawai'i School for Girls

Student Voice Awards
Mari Iwata
Kamamalu Kauwe
Eli O'Meara and Zetta Freitas
Arlo Spiro and Taylor McClung
Jadynn-Kalena Young

2023

Outstanding Employer
Maui Humane Society

Outstanding Government Leader
Thaddeus Pham

Outstanding Adult Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Bud Bowles, MSW, CPRP, HCPS

Outstanding Family Advocate
Anisa Wiseman

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Kimberly Fuke, LCSW
Haylin Dennison, LCSW

Outstanding Youth Mental Health Advocate
Mat Strombach

Student Voice Awards
Emi Nishimura
Kaiser High School
Sacred Hearts Academy
Kolten Sewake
Cadence Wisniewski

2022

Outstanding Government Leader
Scott Morishige

Outstanding Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Clint Oka

Outstanding Family Advocate
Kathy Hammes

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Jo-Lynn Moana Kaho'ohanohano

Outstanding Youth Mental Health Advocate
Raphael Stark

Student Voice Awards
Austin Ariola
Ivory Chun-Hoon
Kailani Ibanez
Isaiah Matsunaga
Tristyn Rivera
Santana Sebastian

2020-2021

Outstanding Government Leader
Edward Mesereau, LCSW, CSAC

Outstanding Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Tara Reed

Outstanding Family Advocate
Kumi Macdonald

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Chad Koyanagi, MD

Outstanding Youth Mental Health Advocate
Tavia Rapozo

Student Voice Awards
Kai Tsugawa
Navie Domingo
Ethan Morse
Chloe Pacheco
Kaci Amaral

2019

Outstanding Government Leader
Captain Mike Lambert

Outstanding Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Heather Rosehill

Outstanding Family Advocate
Bob & Harriet Collopy

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
(Individual) Alan R. Spector, LSCW

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
(Organization) Big Island Substance Abuse Council

Outstanding Youth Mental Health Advocate
Mahealani Sims-Tulba

2018

Outstanding Business Leader
Lili'uokalani Trust

Outstanding Government Leader
Ann Mahi

Outstanding Mental Health Peer Advocate
MaryAnne Quidilla

Outstanding Family Advocate
MeeLing Dang
Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Jeny Bissell
Heather Lusk

2017

Outstanding Business Leader
Hawaii News Now
Outstanding Family Advocate
Marcial Pualani Basbas
Outstanding Youth Consumer Advocate
Waipahu High School Youth for Safety Club
Outstanding Adult Consumer Advocate
Randolph C. Hack
Outstanding Government Leader
Randolph C. Hack
Outstanding Community Leader
Jeanelle Sugimoto-Matsuda
Loraine Fleming

2016

Special Recognition
Marya Grambs
Outstanding Family Advocate
Fredda and Edward Sullam
Outstanding Youth Consumer Advocate
Sanoelani Laniyas
Outstanding Adult Consumer Advocate
Justin Phillips
Outstanding Government Leader
Lillian "Leo" Asuncion
Outstanding Community Leader
Keith Kuboyama

2015

Outstanding Community Leader
Charles W. Mueller, Ph.D.
Outstanding Government Leader
David Hipp
Outstanding Adult Consumer Advocate
Brenda Kosky (Posthumously)
Outstanding Youth Consumer Advocate
Sarah Riddle
Outstanding Business Leader
Richard Emery
Outstanding Family Advocate
Kathy Sheffield

2014

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Pua Kaninau-Santos
Outstanding Government Mental Health Leader
Lesley Slavin
Outstanding Adult Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Scott Wall

Outstanding Youth Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Krystalynn Kado
Outstanding Business Mental Health Leader
Times Supermarkets
Outstanding Family Mental Health Advocate
Kawika and Laurie Kahiapo

2013

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Connie Mitchell, R.N.
Outstanding Government Mental Health Leader
Nancy Kern, M.P.H.
Outstanding Adult Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Susan King
Outstanding Youth Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Crystal Brown
Outstanding Business Mental Health Leader
Clint Schroeder
Outstanding Family Mental Health Advocate
Margie and Mike Durant

2012

Special Recognition
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
Outstanding Community Mental Health Leaders
Robert Bidwell, M.D.
Thomas Harding, Psy.D.
Outstanding Government Mental Health Leader
Virginia Shaw, Ph.D.
Outstanding Adult Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Crystal Aguinaldo
Outstanding Youth Mental Health Consumer Advocate
Kristina Maugalei-Nardo
Outstanding Mental Health Business Leader
The Marriott Ko`olina Beach Club

2011

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leaders
Alfred M. Arensdorf, M.D.
Hon. Michael Broderick
Outstanding Government Mental Health Leader
Linda Appel
Outstanding Adult Consumer Advocate
Sunny Algoso
Outstanding Youth Consumer Advocate
Bailey Young
Outstanding Mental Health Business Leader
Troy Ogasawara

2010

Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Mary Jane (MJ) Amundson, Ph.D
Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Gail Breakey, R.N., M.P.H.

Outstanding Gov't Mental Health Leader
Brigadier General Stephen L. Jones
Outstanding Gov't Mental Health Leader
Kathleen Rhoads Merriam
Outstanding Consumer Advocate
Mike Pablin
Outstanding Youth Consumer Advocate
Iris Yawen Xiao
Outstanding Business Leader
Kauai Marriot Resort

2009

Lifetime Achievement
Tom W. Leland, M.D.
Outstanding Community Mental Health Leader
Naleen Andrade, M.D.
Outstanding Gov't Mental Health Leader
Donald Piburn, M.S.Ed.
Outstanding Consumer Advocate
Laurie Meech
Outstanding Youth Consumer Advocate
Maile Waters
Outstanding Business Leader
Gary Nishi

2008

Lifetime Achievement
Ivalee Sinclair
Outstanding Executive
Linda Rich
Outstanding Agency
Adult Friends for Youth
Outstanding Gov't Leader
Dr. C. Kimo Alameda
Outstanding Consumer Advocate
Sarah Eum
Outstanding Business Supporting Employees' Mental
Wellness
Hawai'i Prince Hotel Waikiki
Outstanding Business Hiring Persons with Mental Illness
Wal-Mart, Debbie Shima, Manager
Outstanding Youth Advocate
Jazmin Boot

2007

Lifetime Achievement
Andy Anderson, Hina Mauka
Outstanding Executive
Poka Laenui, Hale Na`au Pono
Outstanding Government Leader
Christina Donkervoet, CAMHD, DOH
Outstanding Individual Advocate
Pualani Kamaunu Basbas
Outstanding Agency
Friendship House

Outstanding Business Leader
Wayne Ogasawara, Mililani Agric. Park
Outstanding Business Leader
J. Roger Morton, Oahu Transit Services, Inc.

2006

Outstanding Executive
Joanne Lundstrom
Outstanding Agency
Helping Hands Hawai'i
Outstanding Individual
Geary G. Krueger
Consumer Advocate, Big Island
Outstanding Government Program
Med-QUEST Division,
Department of Human Services
Outstanding Business Leader
Lyle Kobashigawa
Big Save/Kauai Kookie, Hanapepe
Outstanding Business Leader
Judy Carper
Huggo's Restaurant, Kailua-Kona